



PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2000, the period for reply being extended to April 2, 2001 by the Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please amend Figs. 1-5 as shown in the attached Request for Approval of Drawing Corrections.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the current specification with the attached Substitute Specification.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 14 and 16 as follows:

--14. A priming device for a detonator, comprising:

timing means for timing the action of a firing element of a primer; and